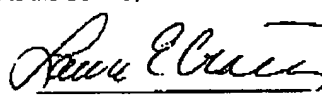


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In response to the Office Action mailed March 9, 2005 which imposes a restriction requirement, the Applicants hereby elect the species associated with claims 1-8.

To the extent that this restriction requirement is maintained by the Examiner, the Applicants reserve the right to subsequently file divisional applications in order to prosecute the inventions recited in any one or more of the remaining species.

Furthermore, the Applicants respectfully traverse the Examiner's restriction requirement. As such, the Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the restriction requirement and request that the restriction requirement be withdrawn.

As such and because of the above traversal, the Applicants respectfully submit that the Right of Petition under 37 CFR 1.144 has been preserved.

If however, the Examiner believes that there are any unresolved issues requiring adverse final action in any of the claims now pending in the application, it

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is requested that the Examiner telephone Eamon J. Wall at (732) 530-9404 so that appropriate arrangements can be made for resolving such issues as expeditiously as possible.

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